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FOR UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON FROM AMBASSADOR TURNER

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SUBJECT: MARCH 12 XCSS

1. PURSUANT TO TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH ROGER SORENSON, WE HAVE AGREED TO SCHEDULING OF XCSS FOR MARCH 12. IT UNFORTUNATELY PROVED IMPOSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE THE MEETING FOR MARCH 10 OR 11 BECAUSE A NUMBER OF XCSS DELEGATION HEADS WILL BE ENGAGED IN THE ECONOMIC POLICY COMMITTEE ON MARCH 10 AND DUPUY IS COMMITTED TO TALKS WITH THE EC IN BRUSSELS ON THE 11TH. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, LOOKED FOR A SCENARIO FOR A MEETING ON THE 12TH WHICH WOULD ALLOW YOU TO ENGAGE IN THOROUGH DISCUSSIONS OF CIEC WITH YOUR KEY COLLEAGUES AND STILL DEPART FOR WASHINGTON THAT AFTERNOON.

2. THE BEST MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING THIS WOULD SEEM TO BE FOR XCSS BUREAU TO MEET FROM AROUND 5:00-7:00 P.M. MARCH 11, FOLLOWED THAT EVENING BY BUREAU DINNER, WHICH I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO HOST. XCSS PLENARY WOULD THEN MEET EARLY--AROUND 9:30 A.M.--ON THE 12TH AND CONCLUDE ITS DISCUSSION OF CIEC BY AROUND NOON, ALLOWING YOU TO DEPART EITHER ON TWA-811 AT 13:25 P.M. ARRIVING WASHINGTON 1841 OR, IF YOU WISHED TO STAY FOR SUBSEQUENT

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DISCUSSION, TO TAKE AF 808 LEAVING PARIS AT 1730 AND

ARRIVING IN NEW YORK AT 2035.

3. IF YOU AGREE TO THE ABOVE SCENARIO, AND ASSUMING THAT YOU ARRIVE IN PARIS AS USUAL AT 8:30 A.M. VIA TWA MARCH 11, I BELIEVE YOU WOULD HAVE AMPLE TIME FOR MEETINGS WITH FROMENT-MEURICE AND VAN LENNEP AND DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR MISSION STAFF BEFORE THE BUREAU MEETING THAT AFTERNOON. THEREFORE, ALTHOUGH WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO SEE YOU, I SEE NO NECESSITY FOR YOU TO TAKE THE TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE FOR PARIS NEXT WEEK UNLESS YOUR FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS MAKE A LENGTHY STOPOVER NECESSARY. FROMENT-MEURICE WILL BE AWAY ALL DAY ON MARCH 2 BUT HAS OFFERED TO HOST A DINNER FOR YOU THAT EVENING. WE WILL AWAIT YOUR GUIDANCE BEFORE CONFIRMING YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THAT INVITATION OR PROCEEDING TO LINE UP OTHER APPOINTMENTS AT THE OECD.

4. I CANNOT OVEREMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE WHICH WE AND OTHER DELEGATIONS ATTACH TO YOUR ATTENDANCE OF THIS XCSS MEETING, WHICH SHOULD PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN DETERMINING THE SPIRIT IN WHICH THE OECD COUNTRIES ENTER THE UPCOMING STAGES OF CIEC. I WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE THAT YOU WILL ATTEND BECAUSE I WILL NOT PLAN TO HOST THE BUREAU DINNER UNLESS YOU WILL BE PRESENT. YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY AT OUR RESIDENCE FOR EITHER OR BOTH VISITS.  
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